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O'NEAL IS CONFIDENT THAT FORD'S OFFER WILL FINALLY WIN

Montgomery, Ala., Jan. 27.—Positive confidence that Congress will accept the Ford offer for Muscle Shoals and thereby reject the plan of Senator Norris of Nebraska for government operation was expressed by Edward A. O'Neal, member of the executive committee of the American Farm Bureau federation and vice-president of the Alabama Farm Bureau federation, in a statement today in reply to charges made against Gray Silver, Washington representative of the Farm Bureau, by Senator Norris.

The complete statement of Mr. O'Neal is as follows: "The farmers of Alabama, and of America, feel that Muscle Shoals is of first importance and that the public at large should not misinterpret the charges of Senator Norris of Nebraska, saying that Gray Silver is a representative of the Ford corporation instead of the farmers. By making such insinuations, Mr. Norris greatly misrepresents our leader who has so faithfully and successfully served the American farmers, succeeding in having more laws passed for the benefit of agriculture than had been passed during the entire American history.

Says Norris Obstructionist. "Senator Norris has been a leader in preventing acceptance of the Ford offer by Congress. He is for government operation, which is neither practicable nor acceptable. Our people know what government operation means. Farmers of Nebraska are opposed to the stand taken by Senator Norris.

"The truth is that the American people know that there has been only one offer for Muscle Shoals that is worthy of consideration and that this is the Ford offer. If accepted the Ford offer will give to the American people a demonstration of the proper development of natural resources of our great country for the benefit of the people.

Two Alternatives. "As it now stands, it is government operation versus the Ford offer and I predict the acceptance of the latter because it is right, and meets the wishes of by far the majority of the American people.

"When this is done, the American Farm Bureau federation, through Gray Silver, as its representative, will have saved the farmers by cheaper fertilizers, millions annually through the years to come. The saving on natural resources and lower transportation rates will also be enormous," Mr. O'Neal declared.

MRS. BONNEAU ENTERTAINS CLUB.

Mrs. John Bonneau was hostess to the Tea Club at her beautiful new home on Claxton street, Friday afternoon. The living room was unusually attractive on this occasion, a profusion of fern and narcissus being used. Late in the afternoon the hostess assisted by her daughter, Miss Hazel, served delicious salad and sandwich courses with hot tea. After the social hour a business session was conducted by the president, Mrs. W. T. Whitman.

On the recommendation of a committee composed of Mesdames J. A. Carnley, Wiley Ballard and G. E. Lindsey, the club voted to change the name of this Club from Modern Priscilla to Tea Club.

Mrs. Harris Murphree and son Boyd, have returned to their home at Elba after an extended visit to relatives in Boydville, Ga.

AGED WHITE MAN IS KILLED IN RUNAWAY

Mr. Nathan Johnson, aged citizen of Beat 15, died at his home on last Saturday morning about six o'clock, from injuries received on Friday afternoon in a runaway accident.

Mr. Johnson had gone to the saw mill of Ross Clark for some lumber, when his mule became frightened and ran away. Mr. Johnson was thrown from the wagon against a stump suffering several broken bones and other injuries. He was given medical attention but death came Saturday morning early.

Mr. Johnson was about 60 or 65 years of age and was well known in that section of the county. He leaves a family. Friends were shocked to hear of his sad demise and join in extending sympathy to the bereaved ones.

MER ROUGE-MAYOR IS TOLD TO LEAVE TOWN

Monroe, La., Jan. 30.—Robert L. Dade, mayor of Mer Rouge, La., who testified at the state's investigation at Bastrop into masked band activities in Morehouse parish which closed last week, made public a letter he had received today warning him "unless he left Mer Rouge with ten days he would be killed."

The letter dated January 25 and believed to have been mailed at Hot Springs, Arkansas, has been forwarded by the mayor to Governor Parker and will later be turned over to Attorney General Cocco for investigation it was said. Insulting epithets and statements of a derogatory nature made up the greater part of the letter, Mr. Dade said.

The letter in part follows: "Dear Sir: You are hereby notified to pack up and get out of town within ten days of receipt of this notice. You have never been any good as a man or as a citizen. Use your own judgment and either leave or become a corpse. (Signed) 'Law-Abiding.'"

Mayor Dade said this is the first letter he has received threatening him.

"I have received a number of threatening letters since Watt Daniel and T. F. Richard were killed August 24," he said, "but these letters were more in the nature of threats against others than against me warning me to clean up the town and get rid of the lawless element. These letters were made public at the open hearing when I testified."

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Moseley, of Opp, were guests of Elba relatives the first of the week.

We will exchange a 24lb sack of self-rising flour for a bushel of shelled corn. SMITH BROTHERS.

FARMER IS KILLED BY L. & N. TRAIN

Clanton, Ala., Jan. 27.—L. K. Durbin, a farmer who lives near Jemison, Ala., was struck by southbound passenger train No. 9 on the L. & N. railroad this morning about 7:40. From reports reaching Clanton it is supposed that Mr. Durbin did not see the approaching train, and as he was driving across the railroad track the train struck about the middle of the wagon, breaking his neck, also one of his arms. The body was carried possibly the length of one of the coaches before the train came to a stop. He lived only a few minutes after the accident.

Mr. Durbin is survived by his wife and several sons and daughters.

With Elba Churches.

BAPTIST CHURCH
Preaching 11:00 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. by Chas. H. Germon, Pastor.
Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Grover C. Bowden, Supt.

There were a number of very encouraging features about the services last Sunday. The attendance of Sunday School was the best for several weeks. The congregations at the preaching services were large and manifested a great deal of interest.

Rev. J. O. Colley delivered a splendid sermon that was greatly enjoyed by those who heard it.

The music, both vocal and instrumental, was good and added much to the services. We expect great things for next Sunday. The pastor's subjects are such as will appeal to those who consider present-day needs.

The prayer meeting is growing in interest and power. Those who do not attend miss a great blessing.

The Senior B. Y. P. U. had a fine program last Sunday evening and it was well carried out and thoroughly enjoyed by those who attended.

This church offers an opportunity for service and splendid fellowship to Christians who are looking for a Church home.

If you are not worshipping elsewhere, come worship with us.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Meeting now at School House Auditorium. Sunday School and communion service every Sunday morning at 9:45 o'clock.

Come and be with us. Every member not only a member but a worker. We want you. We need you. Congregational singing. Come and bring your children with you. You can help us, we can help you.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. F. A. Symonds, supt.

You are cordially invited to attend all services.

METHODIST CHURCH

Preaching every Sunday, at 11:00 A. M. and 7:00 P. M. P. M. Lowrey, Pastor.

Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. Chas. L. Rowe, Supt.

Epworth League, Sunday evening at 6:30 o'clock.

Prayer Service, Wednesday evening at 7:00 o'clock.

Woman's Missionary Society, Monday, 3:00 P. M.

Next Sunday is Communion Day. It is strange how everybody is willing and eager to celebrate Christmas and Easter and how few think they are fit subjects to celebrate the most beautiful and far reaching of any of the events of profane or sacred history, the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. It is only a confession of your desire to flee from the wrath to come and that you are in love and charity with your neighbor, and that you intend to lead a new life. Examine yourself and be ready to meet these conditions at the morning service. The Romanists insist that when the bread and wine are blessed they become part of the body and blood of Christ. As it was administered with "Hoc est corpus", people said it so fast till they say now, "Hoc-us-pokus", when they want to intimate that there is a certain mystery about an affair. We have only a plain blunt confession without any mysterious aspects attached and approach the altar in as reverent manner as we know how, and feel like the publican when he said, "Lord Be Merciful To Me A Sinner."

Mr. Cecil Peacock, of Noma,

CHANGE IS PROPOSED IN FARM LOAN ACT

Congressman Henry B. Steagall, of the Third district of Alabama, has been appointed as a member of a sub-committee of the house, to prepare and draft a bill making several important changes in the federal farm loan act.

The committee on banking and currency of the house has been conducting hearings on the proposed legislation for several weeks, during which time members of the present federal farm loan board and ex-members of the board, officials of the federal land banks, and representatives of various farmers' organizations have appeared before the committee to discuss the proposed legislation.

The bill will probably be reported raising the amount of loans which the federal land banks shall be authorized to make. Many have appeared before the committee in favor of raising the loan limit to \$25,000. It is hardly thought the bill will fix that amount—but it is expected that a substantial increase will be provided for.

The sub-committee will probably report also another amendment authorizing loans to be made through agents without requiring applicants to form farm loan organizations.

These and other changes will likely be embodied in the bill which is intended to liberalize the farm loan act, and eliminate some of the red tape and details required in obtaining loans under the system as originally established.

The legislation is of great concern to the farmers of the country, especially of the south and west, and the bill will be one of the important measures to come before the present session of congress.

RAINIER-DANTZLER.

Dr. and Mrs. P. N. Spann, of Dothan, Ala., announce the engagement of their niece, Violet Dantzier, to Mr. Lamar Sidney Rainer, of Troy, Ala., the wedding to take place in February.

The foregoing announcement will be received with pleasant surprise by the scores of friends of Miss Dantzier, who have made her home for several years in Dothan, being a member of the graduating class of the Dothan High School of 1922. While attending summer school at Troy Normal the romance which will culminate in the marriage of these young people began.

Mr. Rainer is the youngest of the two sons of Mr. and Mrs. Young Rainer, of Troy, and is associated with his father in the Studebaker Sales Agency there.

The above announcement will be of interest to Elba people. Mr. Rainer was reared at Elba and is one of the most popular young men of this section, and until a few months ago has made his home here. His many friends here and elsewhere will be interested in his approaching marriage.

Fla., has joined us by certificate. We welcome him.

Mrs. Walker Bancroft mother of Mrs. Nell Cooper, came down from Castleberry and worshipped with us last Sunday. Her husband is pastor of the Methodist church of that place.

The choir is making music and progress at its regular meetings Friday nights at the parsonage.

The attendance at Sunday school last Sunday was the best for this year, passing the hundred mark and gratifying Mr. C. L. Rowe, the superintendent.

The public installation of officers of the Missionary Society was a beautiful event of last Sunday.

WOODMEN TO MEET NEXT TUESDAY NIGHT

Crockett Camp No. 459, Woodmen of the World, will have a meeting on next Tuesday night, February 6.

A number of important matters are to come up before the meeting.

Among the business matters to be transacted is the election of two officers of the camp. A splendid social feature is also being arranged for those who attend. Some candidates have also been signed up and these will be shown the mysteries of the order. Every member is urged to be present at the meeting.

KELLER ASKS PROBE OF HIGHWAY BOARD

Appointment by the Alabama legislature of a special committee to examine fully into the accounts and the work of the state highway department, in order that the public may be fully advised as to the status of the work and methods being pursued in the construction of roads, is requested by W. S. Keller, state highway engineer, in a letter to Governor William W. Brandon. He asks also that the United States government be requested to have one or more representatives sit with the committee.

In his communication to the chief executive, Mr. Keller says friends of the state highway department have advised him that various and sundry charges are being made that the department is not functioning as it should. He adds that none of the parties reported as having made such charges, have ever come to the department to verify the statements that they are making.

He states also that: "This department has at all times endeavored to do its work so as to be open to the public, it has nothing whatever to conceal."

The letter of the state highway engineer, which bears the date of January 29, 1923, requests that Governor Brandon ask the legislature to appoint such a committee and that the United States Government be requested to have one or more representatives sit with the committee.

"In this manner," Mr. Keller states, "these rumors can be run down and the facts as they are, fully ascertained."—Advertiser.

ABOLITION OF BILLARD AND POOL HALLS SOUGHT.

Abolition of pool and billiard halls in Alabama is the objective of a bill introduced into the senate Tuesday afternoon by Senator Griffith, of Cullman.

The measure, which was submitted by special consent, shortly before adjournment of the senior legislative body stipulates that it shall be illegal to operate a pool or billiard table within the state for gain or reward.

Pool and billiard tables that are operated by Y. M. C. A.'s, and other similar clubs and organizations for the benefit of its members, and where a financial gain is not obtained, will not be affected by the measure, according to Senator Griffith.

But public pool and billiard halls will be absolutely banned.

Quite a number of Elba people went to Montgomery Monday night to attend the Paderewski recital. Among them were Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Symonds, Miss Lallie Harper, J. M. Rowe, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Johnson, W. M. Brunson and G. C. Bowden.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Ward, of Opp, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Folsom, of Elba, were visitors at Abbeville Sunday.

CONCERT AT AUDITORIUM TONIGHT.

The Troy High School Orchestra will give a concert at the School Auditorium on tonight, (Thursday) at 7:30 o'clock. Proceeds from this concert will go to the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church.

The Orchestra is highly recommended as entertainers, and you are assured of a pleasant evening. Be sure and come.

LAST CHANCE TO PAY.

Since last week poll tax payments have been coming rapidly, according to records at the Tax Collector's office. However the payments are far short of the usual number. Today, February 1st, is the last day on which you can pay. If you have not already attended to this matter, do so RIGHT NOW. You cannot pay tomorrow.

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TROY TRUCK DRIVER FATALLY INJURED IN ACCIDENT SATURDAY

Troy, Ala., Jan. 27.—H. T. Whitehurst, truck driver for the Gulf Refining Company, died at the Pike County Masonic hospital about noon Saturday from injuries sustained when an automobile driven by Mrs. Otis Powell struck him. The accident happened Saturday morning at 8 o'clock and Mr. Whitehurst lived only a few hours.

Mr. Whitehurst had stopped by the side of the road on north Third North street near the oil mills to make some repairs on his truck, when Mr. and Mrs. Otis Powell approached from the rear. Mrs. Powell was learning to drive and when she saw the truck in an effort to slow down, it is said, accidentally placed her foot on the accelerator instead of the service brake, rushing her car head on into the rear of the truck. Mr. Whitehurst was pinned between the truck and the front of the automobile. His chest was crushed, left arm broken, knee dislocated and he was injured internally.

Mr. Whitehurst is survived by his wife and one son and has relatives living near Gordon, Ala. Remains will be carried to Gordon for interment, leaving Troy Sunday morning. It was not learned whether charges would be preferred against Mrs. Powell or not.

LOSES LIFE HUNTING LEAK AT GAS PLANT

Tuscaloosa, Ala., Jan. 27.—Will Garner, while searching for a gas leak in the cellar of the gas plant of the Semet Solvay Company at Holt, was overcome by poisonous fumes last night about 9 o'clock and died a few minutes after help reached him. L. A. Miller, superintendent Harvey Patrick, Altona H. Jordan and Cole Wesley, employees who went to Garner's rescue were overcome by the fumes but this morning all are reported out of danger. Garner was about 45 years old and leaves a wife and five children. The Semet Solvay Company furnishes the Holt furnace with coke, and from the by-products of the coal, manufactures gas for the Tuscaloosa Railway and Utilities Company.

OPEN HEARINGS AT BASTROP COMPLETED

Bastrop, La., Jan. 25.—The open hearing here conducted by the State of Louisiana into the operations of masked men in the parish, which Attorney General A. V. Cocco has characterized as the "Morchouse atrocities," ended today after having been in session continuously since January 5. Scores of witnesses testified concerning floggings, deportations, circulation of warnings by a "vigilante committee," kidnappings and the spiriting away of Watt Daniel and T. F. Richard on August 24 of whom no trace was found until their bodies floated to the surface from the depths of Lake Lafourche on December 22.

100lb Gilbert's Salt \$1.20 at Vaughn & Kendrick.

LONG'S BILL ABOLISH- ING TAX ADJUSTERS IS PASSED BY HOUSE

Montgomery, Jan. 26.—The Long bill abolishing the county tax adjusters, and creating a state tax commission of five members to hold office at the governor's pleasure passed the house Thursday by a vote of 93 to zero. No voice was raised in defense of the tax adjusters, beyond one statement by Representative Walton who voiced the sentiment that "the same soldier in a different uniform will be found necessary to the finances of Alabama in the future. Mr. Walton voted for the bill, as did everyone else.

Two features of the bill provoked debate, one being the provision giving the governor the authority to "fire" the members of the new state tax commission whenever he sees fit. The original bill provided that the members of the commission shall hold office for 4 years, but J. Lee Long of Butler offered a substitute giving the governor the power to get rid of any member when he wants to. This was adopted, an amendment by Representative Williams to provide that the members of the commission shall have a fixed term of office being debated.

The only other question at issue was that of getting rid of the tax adjuster sooner than provided for in the bill, which fixes the date of his official demise at September 30, with the governor having the privilege of discharging any tax adjuster sooner. Representatives thrashing for the official lives of the tax adjusters right now, the governor's proposal, that the tax adjuster shall be removed at September 30, with the governor having the privilege of discharging any tax adjuster sooner. Representatives thrashing for the official lives of the tax adjusters right now, the governor's proposal, that the tax adjuster shall be removed at September 30, with the governor having the privilege of discharging any tax adjuster sooner.

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PLUMBER DAZED BY BLOWS AS HE SLEEPS

Birmingham, Ala., Jan. 26.—Police have instituted a wide search over the city in a concerted effort to apprehend the perpetrators of the fourth axe assault in the past three days in the crime wave sweeping Birmingham. The latest victim, W. C. Watkins, a plumber, attacked at his residence early today by a white man and beaten about the head with a blunt instrument, according to the story he told officers, is expected to recover.

Costly Terkils, a cafe proprietor attacked late last night by a negro at his place of business, frightened his assailant away by screams and was not seriously injured.

Mrs. Josephine Vitellaro, who, with her husband, Luigi, was attacked Tuesday night, cited last night. Her husband is in a critical condition and may not live, it is reported at a hospital. The total of assaults in similar cases in the Birmingham district now stands at 26 with 10 deaths.

Watkins, the last victim, is said to have told officers that he was awakened in bed and attempted to grapple with the intruder but was struck down. The assailant then ransacked his home.

50 GOOD CIGARETTES 10¢



UNIQUE IDENTITY CASE AT ALBANY IS IN HIGH COURT

Albany, Ala., Jan. 29.—If the higher courts uphold a verdict rendered in this county the Southern railway will pay Maynard Beatty, \$8,000 in a peculiar case of mistaken identity.

Beatty's allegations set forth one of the most unusual stories in court annals here. He charges that on or about April 21, 1925, he was working as an employee of the American Express company, at the Decatur office. During the night, he charged, he looked out of the window and saw a strange figure apparently holding up two negroes whom he knew. Rushing from the office, Beatty is said to have intervened and during the mixup the negroes escaped.

Then the stranger is alleged to have informed Beatty he was a special agent of the Southern railway and wanted the negroes on charges in connection with the robbery of a mail pouch. Beatty says he expressed his regret at lack of knowledge of the situation, but was placed under arrest, nevertheless, and paraded through the streets with handcuffs on.

The agent is alleged further to have taken Beatty to Huntsville where federal authorities refused to prosecute him. The agent also is alleged by Beatty to have kept him over night at April 21, despite the protest of his attorneys. Later habeas corpus proceedings before Justice of the Peace Thronhill served to get his release. Beatty sued for \$25,000.

PERMANENT PROSPERITY FOR SOUTHERN FARMERS

"Why wouldn't it be a good idea to start right now establishing permanent farm property on every Southern farm to take the place of the old-fashioned tenant system? It has been going on for fifty years or more," said H. G. Hastings of prominent agricultural leader, recently.

"Enough money has come into the South during the last twenty-five years for cotton to have made this the wealthiest agricultural section instead of the poorest. Where has all these billions upon billions of dollars gone?"

"These cotton dollars have largely gone to the North and West for bread and meat, gone never to return. Our foolishness, our slavishness to the one crop system is the reason. Our foolishness has put our farm land values on a \$10.00 to \$25.00 per acre basis and largely helped to put Illinois and Iowa lands on a \$200.00 to \$400.00 per acre basis."

"It is world wide experience with no exception that there can be no regular permanent prosperity to the regular food buying, grain buying cropper or farmer. Every dollar's worth of food and grain produced on home acres is a dollar saved. It means that much freedom from debt, high interest and dealers' profits."

"Food, grain and forage production on home acres sufficient for the family, the working live stock, the cows and just enough poultry, etc., is the first step toward permanent farm prosperity and there can be no permanent farm prosperity on anybody's farm until these necessary items, fully sufficient for home needs, are produced on home acres, not only in 1925 but every year."

"It's a good time now to start the prosperity program of right. The first thing in line is a real home sold properly prepared, planted and kept replanted through the year. Lots of farmers are up to the neck in one-shank debts and are unable to cash their living comes out of their garden. Corn and other grain and forage crops take care of the live stock. Hogs and poultry cannot fatten or produce eggs on air and water. So it is all along the line. Make food instead of buy food for home use. It beats 'get rich quick' schemes and steadily followed insure permanent farm prosperity."

YOUNG BOY DIES AFTER INITIATION INTO COLLEGE FRATERNITY

Tuscaloosa, Ala., Jan. 28.—Glenn Kersh, aged 16, son of M. G. Kersh, city clerk of Tuscaloosa, died this morning between 12 and 1 o'clock from the psychic effects of excitement following an initiation at the Sigma Nu fraternity house up on the campus of the University of Alabama here, according to a verdict of a coroner's jury.

The young man with sixteen others was initiated into the fraternity, and a few minutes after the ceremonies ended, he suddenly died according to the authorities.

A number of witnesses were called before the coroner's jury, several of whom had taken the initiation just previous to Kersh, and their evidence showed that there was nothing done that could have caused death from bodily injuries.

The medical examination made of Kersh's body showed no signs of violence, the physicians testified. The doctors stated that death was probably due to a week heart and to psychic effects from the excitement of the initiation.

Dr. George H. Denny, president of the university, issued the following statement concerning the youth's death: "The university is overwhelmed in view of the death of Glenn Kersh, a Tuscaloosa boy and one of the finest students and characters in the institution."

Members of the train crew were nearby when the accident occurred and the injured man was hurried to the hospital for treatment. There was only slight external evidence of injuries, it was stated. Examination, however, revealed that he had been seriously hurt internally.

It was stated that the train stopped before the couplers linked together, but the cars had reached such a close point that Nelson was caught between them. He had gone between the cars for the purpose of expediting the contact of the couplers, it was reported.

Mr. Nelson had been employed at the Western Railway yards for about three months. He is survived by his mother Mrs. E. H. Nelson, and three sisters, Misses Olive and Aneta Nelson of Atmore, and Mrs.

FOR SALE.—My house and lot in Elba is for sale. Conveniently located, and one of the most comfortable homes in town. See or write W. H. Haire, Box 413, Troy Alabama.

REGISTER'S SALE.

The State of Alabama, Coffee County In Circuit Court in Equity at Elba, Alabama.

Johnson Dry Goods Company vs Wayne Abel

By virtue of a decree rendered at the September Term, 1922, of the Circuit Court in Equity at Elba, Alabama, Coffee County, in said cause, I shall proceed to sell to the highest bidder for cash, to the public auction, at the Court House door in Coffee County in the town of Elba, Alabama, within the legal hours of sale, on Monday the 5th day of February, 1923, the following described property, to-wit:

The W 1/2 of NE 1/4, NW 1/4 of SE 1/4 of SE 1/4, NE 1/4 of SW 1/4, of Section 34, Township 7, Range 19; NW 1/4 of NE 1/4, NE 1/4 of NE 1/4, N 1/2 of SE 1/4 of SE 1/4, of Section 3, Township 6, Range 19, in Coffee County, Alabama.

The lands will be sold for the purpose of satisfying a certain judgment and costs.

This the 3rd day of January 1923. S. H. BROCK, Register.

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THE GREATEST POSSIBLE SERVICE TO THE GREATEST POSSIBLE NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN THE GREATEST POSSIBLE NUMBER OF WAYS.

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L. A. BOYD, President H. C. JOHNSON, Active V-Pres. W. W. SANDERS, Vice-President. O. A. ELLIS, Cashier.

SWITCHMAN KILLED IN COUPLING CARS

Montgomery, Ala., Jan. 26.—Injured internally when he was caught between the couplers of two freight cars in the Western Railway of Alabama yards at 2:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon, E. Curtis Nelson, 21, switchman, died at a hospital less than two hours later. His home is at Atmore.

Members of the train crew were nearby when the accident occurred and the injured man was hurried to the hospital for treatment. There was only slight external evidence of injuries, it was stated. Examination, however, revealed that he had been seriously hurt internally.

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WOUNDS GIRL AND THEN KILLS SELF

Roanoke, Va., Jan. 28.—Norman N. Bailyne, advertising solicitor, who shot and seriously wounded Miss Ethel Brown, 17, here last night, shot himself through the heart and died instantly at Princeton, W. Va., about a hundred miles west of here, about 8 o'clock this morning.

According to information from the chief of police at Princeton his men had been asked to watch incoming trains for the fugitive. An officer watching trains from the east in the Virginia railway yards saw a man alight from the caboose of an incoming freight train, according to the Princeton police chief, and as he ascended him the latter ran a short distance and shot himself.

At the hospital where Miss Brown is a patient it is said tonight that she is resting comfortably and, it is thought, will recover.

Wave Notes in 10 cent books at the Clipper Office.

Roy Lloyd, of Montgomery. The body will be sent by the Leak Company to Atmore Friday morning at 6:50 o'clock for funeral and interment.

We offer \$2.50
for Cord Wood
delivered on our
yard.

Elba Brick
Company

We have just received a car of
**Tennessee
MULES**
All broke. Prices
right. See them.
Boyd & Murphree
ELBA, ALABAMA.

EASON IS APPOINTED OZARK POSTMASTER

Ozark, Ala., Jan. 27.—The appointment of the postmaster for Ozark has been made, J. A. Eason, prominent druggist of Ozark receiving the appointment. The present postmaster's term was out sometime in September, and the appointment of the postmaster under the Republican administration has been delayed pending interest in other matters relative to parties here.

The appointment of Mr. Eason as postmaster is indeed pleasing to his many friends in this section where he has been a successful druggist for many years.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Caney Cook.

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People to Know
What You Have
Advertise

You may have the most wonderful
store in the county, but if you don't advertise who will know about it?

Use advertising space freely. Include a nice advertisement in our columns in your appropriation—it's the best medium in existence for letting people know about what you have to sell.

Advertise in dull seasons as well as in prosperous times—you can make your business hum every day in the year by using space freely.

BLACK HOOD MOB MEN FACE DEATH PENALTY CHARGE

New Orleans, La., Jan. 27.—Six murder indictments will be asked by the state of Louisiana as a result of evidence given at the Bastrop open hearing Saturday of the alleged "black masks" of Morehouse parish, whose reign of terror culminated in the crucifixion of Watt Daniel and Tom Richards. It was learned officially tonight.

Requests for the six murder indictments with a score of others on lesser charges will be laid before the Morehouse grand jury when it meets the first week of March. Two of the other indictments, if returned, would carry the death sentence upon conviction.

The other men whom the state will compel to fight for their lives, according to official reports, are: Apollon K. Skipwith, exalted cyclops of the Morehouse Ku Klux Klan; Oliver Skipwith, son of the cyclops; Dr. Bunne M. McKoin, former Klan captain in Morehouse; W. P. Kirkpatrick, intimate friend of McKoin; T. Jeff Burnett, former deputy sheriff of Morehouse parish; A. Newt Grey, church deacon, and W. C. Stevenson, alleged driver of the "murder truck"; "Blacksmith" Smith, known to state authorities by another name.

Serious Sidelight
Of this number, McKoin and Kirkpatrick will face charges carrying capital punishment, if convicted, as a result of testimony involving them in the alleged kidnapping of Miss Adie May Hamilton, 19-year-old Mor Rouge girl. Miss Hamilton was kidnapped by McKoin and Kirkpatrick were members of the "black mask" mob which smashed its way into her home carrying guns and drove her out of her home.

Under Louisiana laws conviction of entering a home at night by force while carrying firearms is punishable with the death penalty. The girl specifically identified McKoin and Kirkpatrick as having carried firearms and she further testified McKoin had twice fired his gun in an effort to intimidate her parents as she was being kidnapped.

"The case against McKoin and Kirkpatrick is convincing," George Seth Guion, first assistant attorney general, told the International News Service today. "Both men were identified as members of a mob as well as one of kidnapping against both these men. If convicted on the first charge both McKoin and Kirkpatrick would face the death penalty."

Ask Extreme Penalty.
The five alleged members of the mob who were identified by witnesses at the open hearing will also face death penalties if convicted, according to Guion. He declared the state would ask the extreme punishment for every man convicted of participating in any part of the fatal kidnapping of last August 24, which culminated in the brutal murders of Daniel and Richards.

Captain Skipwith, the Klan ruler, although not identified as a member of the mob, will face a murder trial, according to Guion. The state will attempt to link the Klan chieftain to the crime by a chain of circumstantial evidence. Attorney General A. V. Cocco, already has announced his intention of asking a murder indictment against the cyclops.

Besides these eight indictments, an effort will be made to obtain lesser charges against at least 20 more citizens of Morehouse parish. These will range from assault of kidnapping. New evidence meanwhile is being gathered by both state and federal investigators for use at the grand jury investigation in March. State authorities today were optimistic that sufficient evidence to bring the total number of indictments to 100.

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FEEBLE WOMAN DIES OF EXPOSURE; SON IS BLAMED AT HEARING

Bonifay, Fla., Jan. 25.—Facing the charge that his aged mother, Mrs. Laura Frazier, came to her death through his criminal negligence, Herman Frazier, a resident of this neighborhood, is in the Holmes county jail. A coroner's jury has found the man guilty of this negligence following an investigation in which a story of most extraordinary gruesomeness is told.

According to testimony brought out during the hearing a band of negroes near Bonifay came upon Frazier dragging down the road, Frazier and the woman with whom he lived near Elliott's Mill, seven miles northwest of Bonifay, are said to have told conflicting stories of how the aged woman, who was Frazier's mother, met her death.

It seems that the couple with an imbecile child, lived with Mrs. Frazier, who was old, decrepit and unable to walk. The couple claims that threats to shoot up the house were made by the negroes, and they were fired. They, becoming frightened, according to the story told, decided to move. Since Frazier's mother could not walk, the couple, it is said, procured a box used to collect turpentine scraps, stuffed the old woman into it, and dragged it into the woods, where Mrs. Frazier remained over night, thinly clad in her night clothes. Frazier claims, it is stated, that he went off to find a place where he could take his mother and when he returned the next morning, found his aged parent dead from exposure.

The child unable to walk because of under-development, showed many bruises when examined, it is stated, and evidence of mistreatment was also apparent, it is claimed.

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